

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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PROCESSING APPARATUS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

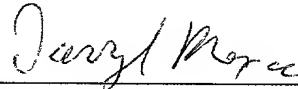
Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of Application No. PCT/JP01/05914 with an international filing date of July 6, 2001, which was published under PCT Article 21(2) in Japanese, and the complete disclosure of which is incorporated into this application by reference.

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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